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to ascertain that such instructions are consistent with the FAR and the DOLAR and that they do not contain information which should be issued as the DOLAR.

Subpart 2901.4—Deviations From the FAR and DOLAR

2901.403 Individual deviations.

(a) The Director, Directorate of Procurement and Grant Management, is authorized to approve deviations from FAR provisions (see FAR 1.403) or DOLAR provisions which affect only one contracting action.

(b) Requests for deviations under paragraph (a) of this section shall be submitted by the head of the contracting activity and include justification as to why the deviation is required.

(c) A copy of the approved deviation shall be included in the contract file.

2901.404 Class deviations.

(a) The Director, Directorate of Procurement and Grant Management, is authorized to approve class deviations of FAR or DOLAR provisions which affect more than one contracting action.

(b) Requests for deviations under paragraph (a) of this section, shall be submitted by the head of the contracting activity and include justification as to why the deviation is required and the number of contracting actions which will be affected.

(c) A copy of each approved class deviation shall be referenced in the contract file.

(d) Recommended revisions to the FAR and a copy of each approved class FAR deviation shall be transmitted to the FAR Secretariat by the Director, Directorate of Procurement and Grant Management, as required in FAR 1.404.

2901.405 Deviations pertaining to treaties and executive agreements.

(a) The Director, Directorate of Procurement and Grant Management, is responsible for transmitting to the FAR Secretariat the information required in FAR 1.405 (d) and (e).

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Subpart 2901.6—Contracting Authority and Responsibilities

2901.601 General.

This subpart deals with contracting authority and responsibilities of the head of the agency as defined in 2901.1 and 2902.1, FAR subpart 1.6 and this subpart.

2901.602 Contracting officers.

2901.602–1 Authority.

Information on the limits of contracting officers' authority shall be maintained by the head of each contracting activity as required in FAR 1.601-1. The Directorate of Procurement and Grant Management shall also maintain this information.

2901.603 Selection, appointment, and termination of appointment.

2901.603–1 General.

(a) *First tier delegation.* The Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management (ASAM), acting through the Procurement Executive, is the chief departmental official for all acquisition and grant matters as outlined in Secretary's Order 4-76, for:

(1) Prescribing policies, procedures, and standards regarding the solicitation, award, and administration of all DOL acquisitions and grants for financial assistance (*e.g.*, cooperative agreements, grants, and similar instruments) obligating Federal funds for the purpose of:

(i) Obtaining property and services for the DOL and/or third parties.

(ii) Promoting DOL programs and objectives through financial assistance.

(2) Acquiring property and services for the United States Government under Title I of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 379).

(3) Establishing reporting requirements necessary for effective departmental acquisitions and grant management and for complying with data needs promulgated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the General Services Administration (GSA), the General Accounting Office (GAO), and other agencies. This includes the SF-1099 report, "Income